

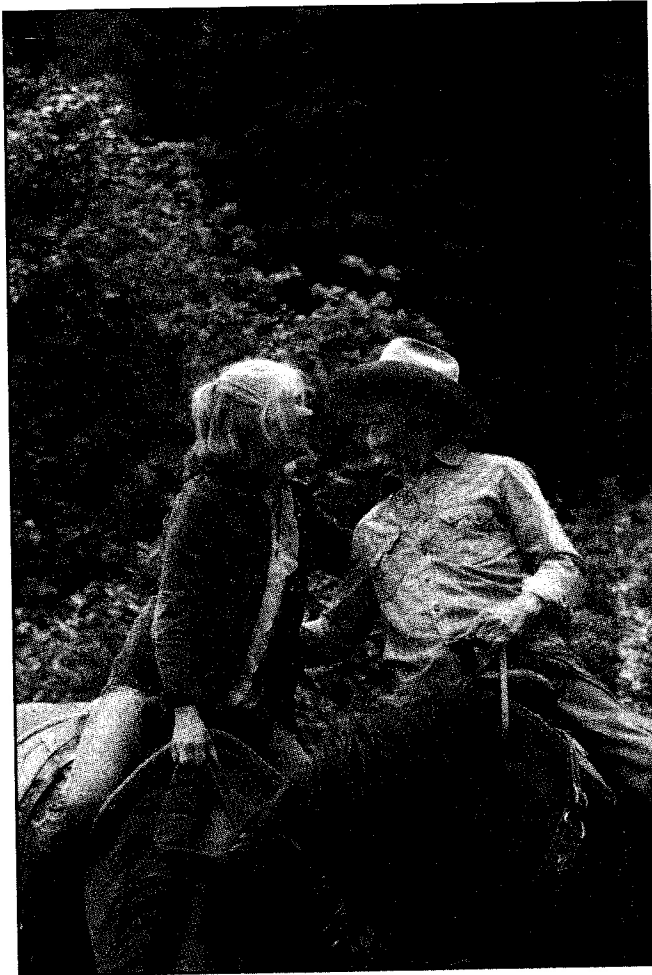
# Horse Country

## Diamond A Ranch Estates

Located on the southeast slope of Sonoma Mountain, Diamond A Ranch Estates is a rural subdivision of about 200 homes that's a favorite among horse lovers for its miles of equestrian trails. The subdivision is located on a former 1,400-acre cattle ranch in the western hills of Sonoma Valley. Developed in the 1960's, the emphasis was on equestrian activities and community with various and unique parcels ranging in size from one to over ten acres.

With great views from the higher elevations, many of the properties in Diamond A sit above the fog line, which is an incredible sight on days when the valley is shrouded in fog. Most of the views also face east which can make for a magical morning sunrise.

The neighborhood features a recreation center with a swimming pool, playground, soccer and baseball fields, equestrian arena, and tennis courts. Community events take place throughout the year, including an Oktoberfest



celebration, a crab feed, movie nights, and barbecues. Diamond A also boasts its own volunteer fire station and has its own mutual water company.

Parcels in the neighborhood are large, ranging in size from about one acre to more than 10 acres, and many vineyard and equestrian properties are located in the area. Home designs vary, as early residents built each property individually rather than as part of a development.

Diamond A homes for sale range from around \$600,000 to more than \$3 million, with year-to-date sale prices averaging about \$800,000, according to MLS data. By comparison, Sonoma homes for sale went for an average \$628,451 in October.